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FOREWORD

The Ministry of Education is aware of the fact that in spite of its best efforts it has not been able to give any substantial relief to the teachers. Unfortunately, they still continue to work under hardships, and their salaries, particularly those of Primary and Secondary school teachers, are rather low. It is a well-known truism, which still can bear repetition, that the quality of education depends on the quality and morale of the teachers. These are built up both by moral and material means and the Ministry is aware of its responsibility in these spheres. To compensate the Primary and Secondary school teachers to some extent for their low salaries and to make the profession a little more attractive by the provision of a significant amenity, the Ministry has included in the Third Five-Year Plan, a scheme of merit scholarships to enable the meritorious children of such teachers to pursue higher education. A sum of Rs. 50 lakhs has been earmarked for this purpose and it is expected to cover about 500 scholarships per year for five years. Though modest in scale at present, the Ministry has launched the scheme in the hope of expanding it when more funds become available.

It may be mentioned that Primary education is already free for all children in the country, including those of the teachers. Education at the Middle and Secondary stages is not ordinarily free, but the Ministry has requested the State Governments to make it free for the children of teachers and it is hoped that the States would do so in the near future. The present scheme is, therefore, intended to assist only the post-Secondary education of the meritorious children of the teachers. It is our belief that because of the encouragement offered under the scheme, bright children who come from the families of teachers, will not find opportunities for further education denied to them, merely because of the limited income of their parents.

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MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE CHILDREN OF PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS

REGULATIONS

I. General

The Government of India have included in the Third Five-Year Plan a scheme for the award of merit scholarships to enable meritorious children of Primary and Secondary school teachers to pursue University education. The scholarships will be awarded on the results of the school-leaving examinations every year.

II. Number and Allocation of Scholarships

(1) A total of 500 fresh scholarships will be awarded each year on all-India basis for the courses of studies which the selected scholars wish to follow.

(2) The selected scholars will be free to follow any course of study in Arts, Science and Engineering etc., anywhere in India.

(3) The scholarships will be distributed among the various States and Union Territories in proportion to the number of Primary and Secondary school teachers in a State subject to a State getting a minimum of five scholarships if the quota of that State comes to less than five scholarships.

(4) In a State or Union Territory, the quota of awards is to be distributed to the candidates from that State strictly in order of merit, as determined by the percentage of marks in the aggregate, from among the eligible candidates.

III. Coverage and Eligibility

(1) The scheme will cover such children of all working teachers of Primary and Secondary schools, including teachers employed in the institutions for the handicapped, who pass the school-leaving* examination in the first class (or who secure at least 60 per cent marks where no class is awarded) in the year in which the awards are made.

(2) Children who have passed the school-leaving examination in a year prior to the year of award will not be considered, except in the case of Cambridge School Certificate (in future Indian School Certificate), for which the examination held in December of the last year will be taken into account.

(3) A scholar who is in receipt of any other scholarship or stipend will not be entitled to a scholarship under this scheme unless the former award is surrendered, and the Government of India scholarship shall be paid from the date the other award is surrendered.

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*Matriculation/High/Higher Secondary or equivalent examination is to be considered as school-leaving examination.

IV. Rate of Scholarship

There will be an all-inclusive rate of scholarship as follows:—

	Rs. *per mensem*
1. Intermediate/pre-University or first year of the three-year Degree course	50.00
2. B.A./B.Sc. or second and third years of the three-year Degree course	75.00
3. M.A./M.Sc./Ph.D.	100.00
4. Professional courses including advanced studies in professional courses	100.00

N.B. The actual rate of scholarship will depend on the Means Test Schedule given at Appendix I.

V. Duration and Renewal of Scholarships

(1) The scholarship once awarded will be tenable from the start of the university course like pre-University or Intermediate, till the completion of the chosen course of studies (like M.A./M.Sc./Ph.D/Engineering/Medicine etc.) by the scholar, subject to yearly satisfactory progress.

(2) The scholarship will be renewed from year to year

provided that

(*a*) within a course which is continuous for a number of years, the awardee secures promotion to the next higher class;

(*b*) in each University examination, the scholar obtains a first class or, where no class is awarded, at least 60 per cent marks in the aggregate. The cases of the awardees who fail to get first division marks but get high second division may also be considered for renewal, on the basis of the report from the head of the institution last attended.

(3) The scholarship will, under no circumstances, be renewed if an awardee fails in the examination, or obtains third division marks.

(4) The scholar should not change his course of study for which scholarship is awarded without prior permission of the Government of India.

(5) A scholarship, once cancelled, will not be restored.

(6) Good conduct and regularity in attendance are also implied conditions for the continued receipt of scholarship.

(7) The scholarship will be renewed for the next academic year on the basis of an annual progress report to be called for from the head of the institution of the scholar.

VI. Inability to Take Examination owing to Illness

The conditions laid down in Article V above will be relaxable only in the following circumstances:

(1) If a scholar is unable to appear at the annual examination within a continuous course of study (but not a final University examination) owing to illness, the scholarship may be renewed for the next academic year, *provided* the scholar submits a medical certificate from the civil surgeon of the area and *provided* further that the head of the institution certifies, on the basis of the academic performance in the previous year, that the scholar was likely to have passed, had he appeared at the examination.

(2) If an awardee is unable to appear at a final University examination due to sudden illness, the scholarship will be suspended and will be renewed when the scholar passes in the examination next year and attains the standard laid down for University examination in Article V(2)(*b*).

(3) If an awardee is unable to appear at a final University examination owing to prolonged illness extending over a long period which had resulted in shortage in the required attendance as per university rules, the scholarship will be renewed for another year *provided* a medical certificate is submitted from the civil surgeon of the area and *provided* further that the head of the institution certifies that the scholar would have passed the University examination in first class, had he appeared at the examination.

VII. Tenability

The scholarship shall be tenable only for full-time courses for studies in India in the constituent/affiliated colleges and in institutions recognised or aided by a university or a board of secondary education; also in technical institutions or other institutions recognised or controlled by the Government of India or the State Governments.

VIII. Payments

The scholarship will be payable from the month of admission to the month of annual examination for the first academic year. Necessary funds for this purpose shall be deposited in quarterly instalments in advance with the heads of the institutions concerned, who shall disburse the amounts to the awardees in the first week of every month,

provided that

in the case of renewal of scholarships for the succeeding year the scholarship will be paid from the month following that for which the scholarship was paid during the previous academic year,

if the course of study pursued is continuous, *e.g.*, I.A. I year to I.A. II years, or B.A. (Jr.) to B.A. (Sr.), or M.B.B.S. I year to M.B.B.S. II years etc.; otherwise the scholarship will be paid from the month of admission; thus wherever a final University examination is taken at the completion of a full course of study, *e.g.*, pre-University/I.A./I.Sc. or B.A./B.Sc., the scholarship will be payable up to the month in which the written/practical examination is completed. On passing the University examination, and on taking admission in the next higher class, *i.e.*, B.A./B.Sc./M.A./M.Sc. or Engineering or professional courses, whether in the same institution or in some other institution, the payment of scholarship will recommence from the date of admission in such class subject to the aforesaid proviso. There may thus be a period in between the cessation of the payment of scholarship in one class and its resumption in the next, for which no payment will be made. No requests will be entertained for relaxation of this rule.

If a scholar is absent from studies due to illness the scholarship will be paid for a period, not exceeding three months of absence provided he remains on the rolls of the institution.

IX. Mode of Selection

(1) The selection will be made by the Government of India in order of merit from among applications received through the State Governments. A quota will be fixed for each State in proportion to the number of Primary and Secondary school teachers in each State.

(2) The State Government will, at appropriate time every year, publicise the scheme and call for the applications. The applications should be received by the State Governments within 30 days of the publication of the result of the school-leaving examination. The intending candidates will submit their applications direct to the D.P.I./D.E. of the State and not through other intermediary officials/bodies. Application forms may be had from the offices of District Inspector of Schools/Director of Public Instruction/Director of Education in the State.

(3) It is possible that a student who has passed from an examining body in a State may have migrated to an institution outside the State. Such students have nevertheless to be considered against the quota of the State in which the examining body from where he passed the school-leaving examination is located. Applications of all eligible students wherever they may be studying, will be included.

(4) Similarly, the State Governments will not include in their recommendations such candidates as have passed their school-leaving examination from examining bodies located in other States. The

applications of such candidates will be collected by the respective State Governments.

(5) In all, 500 awards will be given during every year of the Third Plan period and applications will be invited every year through the State Governments in the month of July/August and the eligible candidates should apply to the State Government as soon as the latter invite applications through advertisement.

APPENDIX I

MEANS TEST SCHEDULE

A. Full Scholarship

(*i*) Income up to Rs. 500 p.m. irrespective of the number of children.

(*ii*) Income between Rs. 501 and Rs. 600 p.m. with two or more children.

(*iii*) Income between Rs. 601 to Rs. 700 p.m. with three or more children.

(*iv*) Income between Rs. 701 to Rs. 900 p.m. with four or more children.

B. Two-Third Scholarship

(*i*) Income between Rs. 501 and Rs. 600 p.m. with one child.

(*ii*) Income between Rs. 601 to Rs. 700 p.m. with two children.

(*iii*) Income between Rs. 701 to Rs. 900 p.m. with three children.

(*iv*) Income between Rs. 901 and Rs. 1,100 p.m. with four or more children.

C. One-Third Scholarship

(*i*) Income between Rs. 601 and Rs. 700 p.m. with one child.

(*ii*) Income between Rs. 701 and Rs. 900 p.m. with two children.

(*iii*) Income between Rs. 901 and Rs. 1,100 p.m. with three children.

N.B. *IN THIS CONTEXT 'CHILDREN' MEAN SCHOOL OR COLLEGE GOING CHILDREN.*

APPENDIX II

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MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Scholarships Division
SECTION SCH. 6

APPLICATION FORM

Passport size photograph to be pasted here.

Merit Scholarships for Children of Primary and Secondary School Teachers for University Education

FOR CANDIDATES WHO HAVE PASSED THE MATRICULATION/HIGH SCHOOL/HIGHER SECONDARY/SENIOR CAMBRIDGE EXAMINATION OR EQUIVALENT SCHOOL-LEAVING EXAMINATION

(*N.B. Portions not applicable to be crossed out.*)

Note I. For the purposes of awards under the scheme the term 'teacher' means a working teacher including a teacher employed in an institution for the handicapped.

Note II. The Regulations governing the awards under the scheme should be read carefully.

Note III. Each item should be read carefully before the form is filled in. No change will be permitted after the application has been submitted. *If any entry is found to be incorrect, the scholarship, if awarded, will be liable to cancellation forthwith.*

Note IV. Incomplete applications, or applications received after the prescribed date will not be considered.

1. Name of the applicant in full, stating whether Shri/Smt./Km. (in block letters)
2. (*a*) Exact date of birth (in Christian era)
   (*b*) Place, District and State of birth
3. (*a*) Name in full (with *alias*, if any)
   (*b*) Present postal address
   (*c*) Permanent home address
4. District and State to which father/guardian belongs (in the case of a displaced person, place, district and the State where settled after migration)
5. Name and address of the school in which father is working as teacher

6. Whether the school is recognised and aided by the State Government

7. Whether father/guardian is a citizen of India by birth and/or by domicile

8. If not a citizen of India, has father/guardian applied to the Government of India (Ministry of Home Affairs) for a certificate of eligibility, in his/her favour? Particulars should be given.

9. (*a*) Religion
   (*b*) Sub-caste
   (*c*) (*i*) Is the father/guardian a member of the Scheduled Caste?
   (*ii*) Is the father/guardian a member of the Scheduled Tribes?
   (*iii*) Is the father/guardian a member of the Other Backward Classes?

(*Portions not applicable should be struck out*)

10. *Total monthly income from all sources of both parents/guardians (*i.e.*, if the guardian is a man/woman, the income of the wife/husband should be stated and taken into account) including the income, if any, received by the ward from any source

11. Particulars of the school/college/institution last attended. (Any break in the educational career should be indicated in the remarks column)

Name of School/College /Institution (1)	Date of Entering (2)	Date of Leaving (3)	Year (4)	Remarks (5)

*A formal statement of income supported by a certificate from a gazetted officer or from a magistrate as in column 19 should be attached.

12. The following particulars should be stated regarding the Matriculation/ High School/Higher Secondary/Senior Cambridge Examination or other equivalent school-leaving examination passed during the current calendar year. (For those who have appeared at the Senior Cambridge Examination, the examination held last year will be taken into account).

(*i*) Name of the examination

(*ii*) Name of the authority which conducted the examination together with the place where it has its headquarters

(*iii*) Roll Number

(*iv*) Total number of marks for the examination as a whole including the optional paper/papers

(*v*) Subjects taken in the examination with maximum marks allotted to each, and the marks obtained by the candidate

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Subjects	*Maximum Marks*	*Marks Obtained*
Total		

(*vi*) Class or division obtained in the examination

(*vii*) Percentage of marks obtained in the aggregate

(*viii*) Distinction(s) awarded (if any)

(*ix*) Prizes, medals or other awards (if any)

(*x*) Was the examination passed at the first attempt?

N.B. *The applicant must submit a true copy, attested by a gazetted officer or magistrate, of the certificate issued by the authority concerned in evidence of having passed the examination; without this, the application is liable to be left unconsidered.*

13. (*i*) Name of the institution where admission has been/will be secured for the current academic year

(*ii*) Exact date on which the applicant was admitted/will be admitted

(*iii*) Name of the course of study undertaken/to be undertaken and subjects taken/to be taken

(*Portion not applicable should be struck out. Candidates who have not joined any institution up to the date of submission of the application should reply to alternatives in this column.*)

14. Details of board and lodging arrangements made for pursuing the course

15. If the applicant is in receipt of any other scholarships or concession from a State Government or any other institution or person, particulars should be given here including the monthly rate and the date from which being drawn. The scholarship or concession will have to be surrendered if the applicant is selected for an award by the Government of India.

16. List of the enclosures

(*i*)

(*ii*)

(*iii*)

(*iv*)

(*v*)

17. Certified that the statements made by me in this application are correct.

I declare that in case I am selected for the scholarship applied for, I shall devote my full time to the course of study and that I shall not undertake or carry on any other paid work or receive another scholarship from any other source.

Signature of the Applicant

Place.....

Date .....

18. (*Applicable to candidates, already enrolled in any institution.*)

Each application after being duly completed by the applicant, should be forwarded by the head of the institution with his/her remarks/recommendations and a certificate in the following form, without which the application is liable to be rejected.

"Certified that Shri/Smt./Km.....
was admitted into my college/institution(name).....
.....as a *bona-fide* student for
pursuing the course of.....on.....196 ."

Signature of the head of the institution

Name of the college/institution
Seal

Place.....

Date.....

19. *Parent's/Guardian's Income Certificate*

I certify to the best of my knowledge that the total income from all sources of both the parents/guardians of Shri/Smt./Km.....
.....son/daughter/of.....
resident of.....
is Rs.....per month.

Signature
Name (in block letters)

Designation

Seal/address

(*The certificate should be signed by a gazetted officer*)

20. *Certificate from the head of the institution where the father/mother of the candidate is employed*

Certified that Shri/Smt.....father/ mother of Shri/Km.....who is an applicant under the scheme, is working as a teacher in the Primary/ Middle/Secondary section in my school.

2. Certified also that the school is recognised by the State Government.

Signature .....

Name of the headmaster.....

Name of the school.....

Stamp of the school.....

Note: *Any change of address or institution should be intimated immediately to the Ministry of Education, Government of India (Sch. 6 Section) as well as to the head of the institution concerned.*

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